

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace paragraphs [069] and [070] on page 17 of the specification, as amended by the Amendment filed January 28, 2004, with the following amended paragraphs:

Fig. 32A is a transparent view of an additional optional embodiment of a flow restricting valve, as seem from the downstream side;

Fig. 32B is a perspective view of the flow restricting valve of Fig. 32A, also as seem from the downstream side; [[and]]

Fig. 33 is a cross-section of another embodiment of a suction adapter; and

Fig. 34 is a cross-section of the suction adapter of Fig. 25A connected to a suction source and first and second medical devices.

Please add the following new paragraph after the paragraph added to page 26 by the Amendment filed January 28, 2004, and before paragraph [088] on page 26 of the specification:

Fig. 34 illustrates suction adapter 600, a source of suction 1600, a first medical device 2600, and a second medical device 3600. Source of suction 1600 is connected to suction source port 610, first device port 612 is accommodating first medical device 2600, and second device port 614 is accommodating second medical device 3600.